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Via Email

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Subject: Monthly Progress Report for the Period **January 1, 2020 – January 31, 2020**Armstrong World Industries Superfund Site Operable Unit 2, Macon, GA
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for RI/FS Docket Number: CERCLA-04-2018-3759

Dear Mr. Farrier:

This Monthly Progress Report is submitted on behalf of the Respondents¹ in satisfaction of the monthly progress reporting requirements under paragraph 50 of the USEPA Region 4 Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, U.S. EPA Region 4, Docket No. CERCLA-04-2018-3759: Armstrong World Industries (AWI) Superfund Site, Operable Unit 2 (OU2), Macon, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia.

Activities Conducted January 1, 2020 through January 31, 2020

- Access agreements to conduct work for OU-2 were finalized with the exception of an access agreement for a background soil location.
 - Since we were not able to obtain an access agreement for the property where the soil background sampling was initially anticipated, additional properties were investigated.
- All soil sampling was completed in January with the exception of the off-site background location.

Activities Planned for February and March 2020

- Additional options that have been identified for the soil background location will be evaluated for adequacy. Once a site is selected, the site will be submitted for USEPA approval. Upon approval, an access agreement to the property will be pursued.
- Conduct sediment and surface water sampling as part of the OU2 site characterization.
- Conduct soil sampling of the background location.

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Problems Encountered

- An access agreement for the property where the soil background sampling was initially anticipated was denied.
- The soil sampling effort was complicated by weather (i.e., rainfall) with many of the areas being inundated with water, making sampling more difficult and time consuming.
- A sewer line that runs through OU-2 spilled sewage. The Macon Water Authority was notified and promptly responded.

Validated Results of Sampling and All Other Data Obtained through Field Work

None

Additional Items

None

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this progress report or any other aspect of this project, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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